Senator Arlen Specter
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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Dear Senator,

You may be interested in the content of the part of yesterday's Jack Anderson column the Washington Post omitted, so I enclose a copy.

Actually, the FBI prepared dossiers on the Warren Commission staff twice, once early on and then after the Report was out.

None of the other information used in the column is reflected in any Commission records I've seen and the FBI withheld all of it from me in an FOIA lawsuit in which it should have been processed for disclosure. It was disclosed in other litigation to a friend from whom I obtained it.

If you'd like copies of the documents I filed please let me know and I'll send them.

Your interest in Mengele reminds me of a story from a mens' magazine sent me, as best I now recall, in the late 1960s. My recollection may not be dependable but it is that in the story, which was about Paraguay as a base for drugs smuggled into the U.S., there was a reference to an alleged Mengele involvement. I am clear that the story included details of the use of small planes and a photo of the main pilot in that operation. I think the magazine was True or Saga.

A man who was without question involved in the Brazil end of the drug smuggling and served time for it and is bitter about his subsequent treatment is, I understand, willing to talk. I believe I can make the arrangements if you are interested. To refer to him as a dubious character is to praise him and you certainly could not take his unconfirmed word on anything, but he fears for his life and may be able to provide or suggest confirmation.

I'm pretty certain there were references to Mengele's presence in Paraguay quite some time before the date in the records you disclosed. I was in intelligence during and after World War II and I suggest that in the State Department's central records as well as those of the Latin American Division of what when I knew it was known as Research and Analysis there may be such references. Nazis were welcome there under the Hector Morinigo dictatorship, which immediately preceeded Stroessner's. Components of the army then were the most democratic force in Paraguay and if it were possible to reach some of the military as of that time it might be productive. The part of the army based at Concepcion in particular. It revolted against Morinigo and Nazi-like influences and policies. Also of that period, leaders of the Colorado Party might be able to be helpful.

Sincerely,

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